



Easter

I hope this year on Easter morning you had the chance to experience the joy of seeing Jesus' Resurrection first hand.

I know you are thinking right now, that is kind of weird. Now let's stop and think about this. He died because of our sins. He was not afraid to die, He knew that He was called by God, for each one of us. With His Resurrection it is a new beginning in our life. Try and start a new by forgiving someone that you have not seen or talked to for awhile. Before judging someone, put yourself in their shoes and maybe the reason why they do things they do may make sense. Take ten minutes out every day to thank God for your good health, for your family, a safe

travel to and from work, the food you are able to provide for your family and the list could go on. Without God in our lives, none of this is possible. Take the time to realize that all our gifts, whether big or small, are gifts from God.

When you see flowers blooming, trees budding or grass turning green, baby animals being born, robins singing in the trees — think of Jesus coming into our lives new. So let us start this part of our lives anew.

It's never to late to start fresh with God. Remember that Jesus told His followers it is never to late to turn back to God, open your hearts and hear the word of God.

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Plant seeds of goodness for all to see.

Living Stations of the Cross

- Jesus, open my heart and my mind so that I can get to know you as you really are.
- Jesus, Please rearrange my priorities. Help me to live a little bit more like you each day.
- Do not be afraid of what God is inviting you to right now.



The last couple years, St. Francis PRE program has had the opportunity to present the Living Stations of the Cross. Last year we hosted this Shadow Play in the church and it was very cool. We will host it again in the church.

The date will be Wednesday, **April 17 at 8 PM.** This will be put on by grades 7-9. I would encourage every family to come and watch this. It will last a short 40 minutes. The Living Stations of the Cross is open to all ages as this is the story of the life of Jesus before he died.

Please tell your neighbors to come, tell your parents and/or relatives to come and enjoy this neat presentation of Jesus' journey to the cross.

These classes will be putting in a lot of time to prepare the play to present it to everyone so please come to church on Wednesday evening of Holy Week.

JC Camp

If you have an 8th grader, you will find a JC Camp mailing coming in the mail in the near future. This camp is required for them to attend in order to be Confirmed. The Humphrey/Lindsay date is usually set for the last weekend in July. If there is a conflict with these date, there are a couple other dates that you can attend. You must let me know if you want to attend the Columbus camp or Albion camp so I can contact the person in charge of those to make sure there is room for your child.

In order to be confirmed, the students must attend two retreats so this will count as one. Please complete all pages and return to Brenda by the deadline so your spot can be saved.

You will need to make your own transportation arrangements to get your child there so that is where getting with other parents is helpful cause it always seems someone is going that direction and has room for one or two more passengers.



*What do you want of
me Lord?*

*Where do you want
me to serve You?*

**The eye is the lamp of
the body. So, if your
eye is sound your
whole body will be full
of light.**

MATTHEW 6:22



*Jesus, thank you for being at my side
even when I forget You are there.*

Prayers

I will be testing out all kids one last time before the end of the year. I hope that all children have been working hard on learning their prayers.

I can tell you that this is only half of the prayers the Archdioceses says the kids should know, so I could ask the kids learn all the prayers that is required.

I look at it this way, I want the kids to learn the prayer that are most commonly used in the church either during Mass or at a rosary. *PLEASE* help your child learn their prayers.

If you have any questions with this come talk to me.

2017-2018 YEARLY SCHEDULE

Sept 5 — 1st night of class	Jan 1 — Happy New Year
Sept 12 — Class	Jan 2 — No PRE
Sept 16 — Rolls and coffee	Jan 9 — Class
Sept 19 — Class	Jan 16 — Class
Sept 26 — Class	Jan 23 — Class
Oct 3 — Mass (come join us)	Jan 30 — Class
Oct 7 — Bazaar	Feb 6 — Class
Oct 10 — Class	Feb 13 — Class
Oct 17 — Class	Feb 16 — First Reconciliation/ First Communion Retreat
Oct 24 — Class	Feb 20 — Class
Oct 31 — No Class	Feb 27 — Class
Nov 7 — Class	March 6 — Ash Wednesday
Nov 14 — Class	March 13 — Mass
Nov 21 — Happy Thanksgiving NO PRE	March 20 — Mass
Nov 25 — Speaker in Norfolk for Grades 8-12	March 23 — First Reconciliation
Nov 28 — Class	March 27 — Mass
Dec 5 — Confessions	April 3 — Mass and Reconciliation
Dec 12 — Christmas movie	April 10 — Mass
Dec 19 — Class	April 17 — Living Stations of the Cross
Dec 25 — Merry Christmas	April 21 — Easter
Dec 26 — NO PRE	April 24 — Last night of PRE
	April 27 — 11AM First Communion Practice
	May 5 — First Communion

First Communion

THERE WILL BE FIRST COMMUNION PRACTICE ON
SATURDAY, APRIL 27 AT 11AM

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ONE PARENT IS REQUIRED TO ATTEND ALONG WITH THE
FIRST COMMUNICANT.

Dress code for First Communion day is as follow:

Girls: White dress, veil (if you want), white shoes, white socks or tights.
No gloves please.

Boys: White long sleeve shirt, tie, dark pants and dress shoes.

Reminder: The only reserved seating is for parents and the First Communicant. All other family members is a first come first serve on getting a pew for seating.

No flash photography is allowed.

Remember to turn in picture forms to Pfeifer Photography. Thanks!

***We are Christian and this is what a Christian does,
helps others and does it unselfishly.***

Catholic Daughters Contest

I want to let everyone know that I am very pleased with the time and effort that your child has put into the contest that the Catholic Daughters had. I really like seeing each year, the PRE program is getting more and more winners. This year I get to congratulate Mollie Groetluschen, Alexis Bohaty and Daniel Freudenburg who were

winners. Congrats to all of you!

I know I make every student in grades 4-8 do it but I feel a little thought and/or artist knowledge gets kids to be think outside the box and in this case, even become a winner of the divisions.

So thank you to all the students and thank you to the parents that

helped the kids with getting this to me on the due date.



Congratulations!